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SUBJECT: TURKISH/UN DEVELOPMENTS

REF: (A) GENEVA 2027; (B) GENEVA 2015; (C) STATE 68250

1. MANBY IS NOW CONSIDERING WHAT STANCE HE SHOULD RECOMMEND THAT MARTENS TAKE AT FOURTH ROUND UN/TURKISH NEGOTIATIONS SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE FIRST WEEK OF APRIL ON QUESTION STANDBY COMPENSATION TO GUARANTEE FAIR PRICE FOR POPPY FARMERS.

2. WHILE MANBY DOES NOT EXPECT CRYSTALLIZE HIS VIEWS MUCH BEFORE MARCH 31, HE IS CURRENTLY INCLINED, BUT HAS NOT (RPT NOT) YET DECIDED, TO ADVISE MARTENS TO PROCEED AS FOLLOWS:

(A) LAY ON TABLE PROPOSAL ELABORATING ON TERMS SET FORTH MEMO GIVEN TO KIRCA MARCH 21 (REF A) TO CONFIRM WILLINGNESS EARMARK CONTINGENCY FUNDS TO SUPPORT FAIR PRICE TO FARMERS IN 1975, 1976 AND 1977, WITH UNFDAC'S LIABILITY LIMITED TO \$3 MILLION FOR 1975, \$2 MILLION FOR 1976 AND \$1 MILLION FOR 1977, COMMITMENTS IN LAST TWO YEARS BEING SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS. BUYING PRICE FOR 1975 WOULD BE AS PROPOSED IN MEMO, NAMELY, 16 TL. IT WOULD BE MADE CLEAR THAT THIS SUPPORT WOULD BE OVER AND ABOVE OTHER KINDS OF CONTROL/ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE WHICH UNFDAC IS ALREADY COMMITTED TO PROVIDE IN AMOUNT OF \$800,000 AND WHICH  
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FUND IS NOW CONSIDERING POSSIBILITY OF PROVIDING IN AMOUNT

OF AROUND \$1.4 MILLION.

(B) IN MAKING OFFER TO KIRCA, MARTENS WOULD STATE THAT UNFDAC IS INVOLVED THESE NEGOTIATIONS BECAUSE IT BELIEVES THAT FAIR PRICE, ANNOUNCED TO POPPY FARMERS ADEQUATELY IN ADVANCE OF PERIOD WHEN INCISION IS POSSIBLE, I.E., BEGINNING IN LATE MAY, IS NECESSARY TO COUNTER EFFORTS OF ILLICIT OPIUM BUYERS AND IS THEREFORE AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT OF CONTROL SYSTEM. HE WOULD NOTE THAT IT MUST BE ASSUMED ILLICIT OPIUM BUYERS ARE ALREADY ACTIVE IN POPPY GROWING AREAS AND THAT UNLESS FAIR PRICE CAN BE ANNOUNCED BY NOT MUCH LATER THAN APRIL 15 HE HAS SERIOUS QUESTION AS TO WHETHER UNFDAC DECISION MUCH BEYOND THAT DATE TO EARMARK FUNDS TO SUPPORT FAIR PRICE WOULD BE JUSTIFIABLE. HE WOULD LIKE TURKISH SIDE TO CONSIDER OFFER HE HAS MADE AND WOULD PROPOSE THAT FINAL MEETING ON THIS SUBJECT BE HELD APRIL 11, LAST WORKING DAY BEFORE MARTENS DEPARTS FOR FUND-RAISING TOUR IN MIDDLE EAST.

3. IN EVENT TURKEY SHOWS NO DISPOSITION COMPROMISE ON ACCEPTABLE BASIS AND TALKS ARE BROKEN OFF, MANBY BELIEVES UNFDAC SHOULD RECONSIDER WHETHER THERE IS JUSTIFICATION FOR PROCEEDING FUND ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE NOW PENDING, INCLUDING TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND COMPASS TRIP. HE ALSO THINKS UN SHOULD BE READY ISSUE STATEMENT TO PRESS, COPIES TO RELEVANT UN ORGANS SUCH AS INCB, REVIEWING UNFDAC'S EFFORTS TO BUTTRESS TURKEY'S CONTROL SYSTEM.

4. WE WOULD LIKE STRESS THAT FOREGOING OUTLINES PRELIMINARY TREND ONLY OF MANBY'S VIEWS AS TO COURSE HE SHOULD RECOMMEND TO MARTENS AND IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

5. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY COMMENTS AMBASSADOR VANCE, WASH, ANKARA.

6. S/NM PLEASE REPEAT TO AMBASSADOR VANCE.DALE

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